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Hon. Vernon Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

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Re:

AB 33 (Sub-no. 218X)

Union Pacific RR CO. - Abandonment Exemption - in Kootenai County,

Idaho (Coeur d'Alene Industrial Lead) - Notice of Interim Trail

Use/Railbanking Agreement and Corridor Acquisition

Dear Mr. Williams:

I represent the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation (NICTF). Pursuant to the Board's decision served September 8, 2006 in the above referenced proceeding, the negotiation period under the Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU) was extended through January 1, 2007. The purpose of this letter is to advise the Board that the parties have reached an interim trail use/railbanking agreement, in the form of a contract and a closing on December 21, 2006, under which NICTF has acquired ownership of the railroad corridor pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1247(d). It is my understanding that the NITU accordingly extends indefinitely until further order of this Board. Please advise if further information is required.

By my signature below, I certify service upon Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney for Union Pacific Railroad at his address of record.

Respectfully submitted.

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